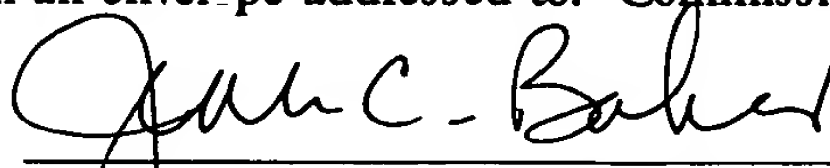


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Applicants:	Diana M. Downs, <u>et al.</u>		
Filed:	September 18, 2001		
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Examiner:	P. Duffy		
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.